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(Kazuhiro OHSUYE et al)

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(For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PEPTIDES USING A HELPER PEPTIDE)

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2002, and together with a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 5, with the following:

--Figure 15 is a drawing that shows an analytical pattern at each purification step in the cleavage process of GLP-1 (7-37) from RHHGP[G] [SEQUENCE ID NO:25] by Kex2 protease. In the figure <u>A</u> indicates a reverse=phase pool before cleavage with Kex2 protease, <u>B</u> after cleavage with the Kex2 protease, and <u>C</u> after PorosR2, and <u>1</u> indicates RHHGP[G] [SEQUENCE ID NO:25] and <u>2</u> indicates GLP-1 (7-37).--